

COLORADO ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL EXECUTIVES
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS OFFICIALS MEETING
CASE OFFICE, ENGLEWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
March 19, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. by Martha Baldwin, President-Elect of DBO.

Roll call was taken via signature.

Agenda Change: Moved Legislative Update under reports due to time constraints for Bruce Caughey

A motion was made by Sandy Mutchler, seconded by Lorie Gillis to approve the revised agenda. The motion passed by unanimous vote and the agenda was approved.

Consent items were reviewed and a motion was made by Lorie Gillis and seconded by Shelley Becker to approve consent items as presented. The motion passed and the consent items were approved.

Reports: No President's Report. Stephanie Watson was not able to attend due to a family matter.

Bruce Caughey reported on a number of bills pending in the legislature, including cuts within the School Finance Act. Bruce noted that for the school finance situation to improve there needs to be the political will to make changes to School Finance.

John Hefty reported on a survey completed regarding a potential collegial meeting. At this time no meeting has been slated. John also reported on a project being done, putting the tools together to tell the state financial story. He talked about the group "Great Education for Colorado" pushing whether P-20 is under TABOR – the group is looking to get people to react. John reported on the Labato lawsuit – money coming in to support the cause. Under the upcoming CASE Coordinating Council agenda, John Hefty plans to announce his retirement from CASE as of 12/31/10. Discussion on topic ensued. Bruce Caughey may redesign the CASE staff in conjunction with John's retirement. John would still work on special projects, being flexible on the time and money involved.

Discussed CASE Summer Conference and membership. John is looking at focusing on membership benefits such as legal support.

Under Discussion Items:

1. Discussed Summer Convention and possible topics. Sandy M. is on the Professional Development committee which works on the breakout sessions. Ideas for sessions included Transparency Tool Kit – website support, what not to share, etc. A Communication tool kits was also discussed to help share the message, especially for smaller districts.
2. Platform Suggestions / Changes – Nothing at this time
3. DBO Distinguished Service Award – Past practice to present to outgoing DBO President.
4. 2010-11 Board Elections:
Nominees: President – Martha Baldwin, President Elect – Terry Buswell, Secretary – Lorie Gillis, Past President – Stephanie Watson. Nominations needed for two Directors – Don

Trujillo and Shelley Becker's terms are up. Joe Subialka, the current Emeritus Director, is stepping down. CASE will send out a call for nominations in April. A list of committee positions connected with the DBO will be confirmed. The positions include the Professional Development Committee, the CASE Legislative Committee, and Coordinating Council.

5. Nuts & Bolts Conference: Comments discussed. People were engaged and the conference was well attended. May need to consider different meeting room (too hard to hear and see in the back). We will look at having a fun speaker (Training Wheels) for next year.
6. CASEY Awards – No recommendation at this time.
7. How can DBO assist Glenn Gustafson in his new role with CASE – Communications between DBO and Glenn is important. Martha will check with Glenn to see how DBO can support him.

Action Items:

1. One-time donation of 2010 Nuts & Bolts Proceeds to CASE: Since Stephanie was not in attendance, the item was tabled until the next meeting.
2. DBO Distinguished Service Award – A motion was made by Shelley Becker and seconded by Lorie Gillis to present Stephanie Watson with the Distinguished Service Award. Motion was approved unanimously.

Future Meeting Dates:

Next meeting will be June 11, 2010

DBO meeting in July at the 41st CASE Convention

A motion was made by Sandy Mutchler and seconded by Shelley Becker to adjourn the meeting at 12:51 p.m.